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Sgt. 1st Class Eric Michael Emond 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne)

Sgt. 1st Class Eric M. Emond, a Special Forces weapons sergeant, assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne), died November 27, 2018, of wounds sustained when an improvised explosive device detonated while conducting combat operations in Ghazni Province, Afghanistan

Emond, 39, a native of Boston, Massachusetts, enlisted in the Army June 6, 1997. He had more than 21 years of military service, having served in the Marine Corps and the Army. This was his seventh overseas tour.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (2 OLC), Purple Heart (OLC), Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, NATO Achievement Medal (2), Afghanistan Campaign Medal (4), NATO Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal, Overseas Service Ribbon (2), National Defense Service Medal, Special Forces Tab, Ranger Tab, Combat Infantry Badge, and Combat Action Badge.



Emond was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart and Meritorious Service Medal.

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